Good evening! We had a successful two days of Parent/Teacher conferences! Thank you for coming to get a better understanding of what your children are learning about at their grade levels and in their classrooms. Students will receive their report cards at the end of the quarter on October 25th. However, if you have any concerns prior to that, please contact the school so that we can get things figured out in a timely manner. A big thank you goes out to PTO for providing the food on Tuesday night. Valentino’s was wonderful and we had enough left over for lunch today! I hope that you enjoy the extended break with Thursday and Friday being “no school” days and have additional time to spend as a family.

**Fall Reading Challenge:** It's time to begin our fall reading challenge.  This challenge will take place during the months of October, November and December. This will look a lot like last year.  Students are challenged to read 20 minutes for 20 days of the month.  Students will keep track of their minutes on a tracker bookmark.  Once all the minutes have been read, return the bookmark with a parent signature on the back.  Students will then be given a Book Buck to be entered into a drawing to get special reading time with Mrs. Peterson.  Students who return their tracker bookmarks all three months will join in a fun celebration in January.  Keep Reading Sagewood!!

**Sagewood Pack Time:** We will be having our first Pack Time on Monday at 8:30. If you are new to Sagewood or have a Kindergartener, this will be a new conversation for you and your child to have at dinner on Monday night! Teachers have a group of students K-5 assigned to them and we have a 30-minute activity based around a certain theme for the year. The groups and leaders stay the same every year so that the students have an additional adult advocate in their corner other than just their classroom teachers. The theme for this year is having a growth mindset. Students will learn that it is okay to struggle with certain things and learn how to power through and push forward until they can problem solve the best solution. We meet with our packs once a month.

**SPARKS:** SPARKS after school interventions will begin on Monday, September 30th. If your child is invited to attend you will be hearing from your child’s teacher no later than conferences. SPARKS will work on math support and will occur Monday-Thursday from 3:15-3:45.

**PTO Meeting:** We will have our next PTO meeting this Monday the 30th of September at 6:30. Babysitting is provided for all Kindergarten through 5th graders.

**Sagewood Fall Fundraiser:** Sagewood Families, it is almost time for The 2019 Costume Ball: A not so scary FUNdraising Event! The Costume Ball will be Thursday, October 17th from 6pm-8pm. More details about Fundraising will be coming home the week of Conferences, so be on the lookout for those. If you would like to volunteer your time, talent and/or resources contact Janel Asuncion (janelasuncion@gmail.com)